IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS PRESS RELEASE

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At its regular meeting held in Des Moines on April 6, 2000, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

Kenneth H. Moon, D.O., a 58 year old physician practicing in Des Moines, Iowa, was charged with professional incompetency when he utilized pre-signed prescriptions and allowed a non-physician, lacking DEA credentials, to adjust the dosage of methadone to numerous patients. A hearing in the matter has been scheduled for May 12, 2000.

John D. Lehman, M.D., a 68 year old physician from Bradenton, Florida, voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license to resolve a pending disciplinary matter. In October 1999, Dr. Lehman surrendered his Florida medical license to resolve a disciplinary matter initiated by the State of Florida Board of Medicine. Dr. Lehman has not practiced in Iowa for some time.

Lawrence A. Hennessey, D.O., a 66 year old physician from Cape Coral, Florida, voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license to resolve a pending disciplinary matter. In April 1999, Dr. Hennessey voluntarily retired from the practice of medicine in Ohio to resolve a disciplinary matter initiated by the Ohio State Medical Board. Dr. Hennessey has not practiced in Iowa for some time.

Vincent G. Canganelli, M.D., a 72 year old physician from Clear Water, Florida, entered into a combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement and Final Order, voluntarily surrendering his Iowa medical license to resolve a pending disciplinary matter. In August 1997, Dr. Canganelli voluntarily surrendered his Kentucky medical license to resolve a disciplinary matter initiated by the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure. Dr. Canganelli has not practiced in Iowa for some time.

Glenn D. Cunningham, M.D., a 55 year old physician practicing in Palm Springs, California, entered into a Settlement Agreement and Final Order with the Board. Dr. Cunningham was charged with being disciplined by the licensing authority of the State of California. Dr. Cunningham's California medical license was placed on three years probation due to concerns regarding his treatment of a single patient. Dr. Cunningham's Iowa medical license was placed on probation under certain terms and conditions. Dr. Cunningham has not practiced in Iowa for some time.

Horst G. Blume, M.D., a 74 year old physician practicing in Sioux City, Iowa, entered into a Settlement Agreement and Final Order with the Board. Dr. Blume was charged with professional incompetency when he inappropriately prescribed controlled substances to numerous chronic pain patients. Dr. Blume's Iowa medical license was placed on indefinite probation. Dr. Blume has agreed to submit to a comprehensive competency evaluation and complete a course on prescribing controlled substances for chronic pain. The Board has also established a plan to monitor Dr. Blume's medical practice.

Randolph P. Johnston, M.D., a 64 year old physician practicing in Des Moines, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement and Final Order with the Board. Dr. Johnston was charged with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to family members. Dr. Johnston is permanently prohibited from prescribing controlled substances to family member and was issued a Citation and Warning and ordered to pay a \$2,500.00 civil penalty.

Dean J. Ehrecke, M.D., a 44 year old physician formerly practicing in Davenport, Iowa, voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.